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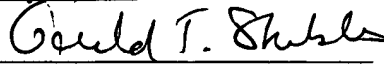
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For: **PRODUCTION METHOD FOR SILICON SINGLE
CRYSTAL WAFER**

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the office action of December 12, 2002 in the above-identified application. The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

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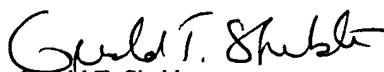
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